

The Daily Freeman.

MONTPELIER, DEC. 31, 1863.

Ladies' Festival.

The Festival at Washington Hall, Friday Evening, we hope will be liberally patronized. We can assure all who visit such an entertainment simply for pleasure and amusement, that they will be abundantly compensated for attendance, and those who go to aid the soldier's fund, will find the Festival all they can wish. The ladies have given many weeks—perhaps we ought to say months—to the labor of raising a fund for and manufacturing hospital stores, and we cannot imagine a better charity, or a handsomer thing for our people to do than to generously contribute by their presence and their money, to make this Festival, the crowning effort of these working ladies in their efforts to relieve the sufferings and administer to the comfort of sick and wounded soldiers, a grand success. Let no one who can go stay away. Friends of the cause from the adjoining towns are cordially and earnestly invited to come, as the charity is not local and should not be hemmed in by town lines.

An admittance fee of 15 cents for adults and 10 cents for children, will be charged at the door, and we know of no one who cannot afford that.

THE LECTURE.—The lecture of Rev. Mr. Shelton, Wednesday evening, was eminently characteristic of the man. It was scholarly, polished, in many places richly humorous, in others finely eloquent, and, as a whole, exceedingly entertaining and agreeable. The audience enjoyed it as they testified by their hearty applause. We need say no more; for to those who did not hear it, we could convey no impression of its well rounded periods, its clear and aptly chosen phraseology, its delightful passages of glowing rhetoric or playful fancy; and those who did hear it would only laugh at us for attempting to reproduce, in a diminutive photograph the full length lecture with which they were so much pleased.

The next lecture of the course will be delivered next Wednesday evening, by Mr. J. S. Spalding, principal of the Barre Academy.

THE FIFTH REGIMENT arrived in Burlington Wednesday, and were handsomely received. Capt. Start's battery was out. Gov. Smith and staff, and Adjutant General Washburn were present, and the citizens of Burlington turned out en masse to welcome the veterans home.

THE CAVALRY REGIMENT. The Burlington Times says: Our correspondent with the Cavalry writes us that in all probability the regiment will re-enlist and return to Vermont for a furlough of thirty five days, in about a fortnight. All men who enlisted previously to July, 1863, having more than one year to serve, are to have this privilege, provided they will certify before two commissioned officers that they will re-enlist after having served two years.

PERSONAL.—Col. Thomas starts to rejoin his regiment to-morrow. His health is now good. He has done good service in advancing enlistments at home, and now he gladly returns to service with the eighth Vermont in the field.

LARGE FIRE.—Carpenter's Woolen factory, given all, &c., at Pownal, were destroyed by fire at 6 o'clock last Friday morning. Loss about \$200,000; insured for \$100,000.

EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS.—Since the failure of Gen. Butler to arrange terms for the exchange of prisoners, it is said the whole matter reverts to Gen. Hitchcock and Meredith, who will hereafter, as heretofore, have charge of it.

THE "OUTLAW."—The New York Evening Post says, with reference to the report that the rebels refuse to treat with Gen. Butler, on the ground that he has been declared an outlaw in a proclamation by Jeff. Davis.

Such arrogance is disgusting, and we hope our Government will refuse heretofore to negotiate with the fellows, and reply to their infamous pretensions by commissioning the afore-said "outlaw" to raise a body of volunteers for the express purpose of releasing our prisoners. The young men of the North would rush to his banner as to a crusade, and he would belie his entire history since the war began if he did not conduct them, before the winter closes, into Richmond.

"LOOK ON THIS PICTURE AND ON THAT." On Monday, December 10, 1863, the following was the state of the market at New York and at Richmond, respectively:

	AT NEW YORK.	AT RICHMOND, VA.
Gold, per dollar	\$1 32 1/2 to 1 34	\$1 50 to \$2 00
Sterling Exchange, per dol.	1 05	20 01
Flour, per barrel	6 15 to 6 75	100 00 to 110

A FACT.—In a not distant city, the wife of one of the City Fathers presented her husband with three children at a birth. The delighted father took his little daughter, four years of age, to see his new relations. She looked at the diminutive little beings a few moments, when turning to her father, she inquired, "Pa, which one are you going to keep?"—*New Bedford Mercury.*

It is said that ten thousand of the veteran troops of the army of the Potomac have already re-enlisted, and paymasters have been ordered into the field to pay the men their back pay and bounty.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE FREEMAN.

4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 30. After suffering defeat at Summerville and Middleboro, the particulars of which have not been received, the rebel Gen. Forrest divided his forces into four columns, which were reported to be 4000 strong, and crossed the Wolfe river near Lafayette yesterday afternoon. They destroyed several small culverts, trestles, and the telegraph between Collinsville and Moscow, and went south with Gen. Grierson's cavalry and Morgan's brigade of infantry, in hot pursuit, and it is hoped they will be brought to a stand at Cold Water.

The bridge over which this force crossed Wolfe river had been ordered to be destroyed, but the order was not obeyed. The telegraph is now working, and the railroad has been repaired.

Advices from the lower counties of Maryland and the counties of Virginia this side of the Rappahannock, state that the President's amnesty proclamation is received with general satisfaction.

Gen. Meade is in Washington. The Times special Washington dispatch says, letters from officers in Gen. Banks' army say that the cotton held by the planters of Texas, which will soon be brought into market, is over 300,000 bales.

Measures will at once be taken by our Government which will compel the rebel authorities to recognize Gen. Butler's status as an officer of the Army. Until that is done, no propositions relative to exchanges made by the rebels will be recognized.

CAIRO, Dec. 30. The guerrillas along the river have been remarkably quiet since Gen. Ellett's marine brigade has been in the neighborhood. The brigade has captured, during the three weeks, over 50 prisoners, and upwards of 100 mules and horses.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 30. About three-fourths of the 28th State Infantry have re-enlisted, and have arrived here en route for Philadelphia, on a thirty days furlough.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. It is reported that 50 of Forest's guerrillas, a Colonel, Major and Chaplain, were captured by Gen. Dodge's mounted infantry, near Pulaski, Tenn., on the 25th. Three of them were in chains charged with the murder of Federal soldiers last summer.

Steamship Persia, from Liverpool the 19th, via Queenstown, has arrived. News anticipated.

[Your Reporter feels constrained, at the close of these reports, which have sent joy or sorrow to so many hearts, to take off his hat and make a very low bow, and—retire from the telegraph office for further instructions.]

POCKET-BOOK LOST.

THE subscriber lost, between Montpelier and Chelsea, last Wednesday, an old calf-skin

POCKET-BOOK.

containing valuable papers—among others notes payable—some to C. C. Arms and some to myself. The finder will be suitably rewarded by returning said pocket-book to the subscriber.

JOSIAH DOUGLAS.

Montpelier, Dec. 28, 1863.

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TEACHER OF MUSIC, and dealer in PIANOS and MELODEONS, (Barre, Vt.), has now on hand and for sale the great improved Melodeon, of all styles and finish. The reeds are brought to a wonderful perfection. The high notes resemble the flute so near that they defy detection. The low notes resemble the diapason to the pipe organ, and by the use of the new patent swell the performer can produce any degree of power desirable. All who are troubled with a musical taste should have one of these instruments to enliven the domestic circle. Parents, do not wait until the children are too old to learn, but buy a Piano or Melodeon at once, and set them to work. The best instruments, of various sizes, constantly on hand, and selling at very low prices. Orders addressed to N. L. Phillips, Barre, Vt., will receive prompt attention.

Sept. 21, 1863. B&Wif

CHARLES P. HAYDEN.

A PERSON of sound mind and a spendthrift, is under guard and is my Ward. All persons are cautioned against harboring or trusting him, as he is not liable for his contracts, and I will not pay them.

C. L. WILSON, W&Wif

Montpelier, Dec. 14, 1863.

SOMETHING TO EAT

Beef, Pork, Lard and Hams

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Veal, Lamb, Chickens, Turkeys and Geese

Salt Pork, Corned Beef, Tripe and Sausage;

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A GOOD dairy or sheep farm for sale, situated about two miles from the pleasant little village at Waterfield, in the South part of Fayston. Said land is excellent for

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has more than one thousand Sugar Maple trees in one body, a good orchard, a large amount of stone wall,

TWO DWELLING HOUSES.

and five barns, beside out-buildings. Here is a bargain for some young man, who can raise 4000 dollars, a sale cheap as the cheapest.

For further particulars, inquire of Dr. G. N. Brigham, at Montpelier, or L. H. Brigham at Waterfield.

G. N. BRIGHAM, L. H. BRIGHAM.

Montpelier, Dec. 7, 1863.

Farm for Sale.

THE subscriber wishes to sell his farm, situated in the

vicinity of East Montpelier, on the main traveled road leading from Montpelier to Hardwick. Said farm

contains 40 acres of good smooth land, about 11 acres of wood land, 100 sugar trees, a good dwelling house, barn, sheds, and other out-buildings, good running spring water

in the rear of the house. I will also sell hay, stock and tools of all kinds.

LEVI BAILL, 142*

Montpelier, Vt., Oct. 18, 1863.

PEACE DECLARED.

Valuable Real Estate for Sale in Williamstown, Vt., comprising the new Grist Mill, House and Barn, Saw Mill, Store and about 12 acres of land. The above property pays 25 per cent, and will be sold on reasonable terms. Enquire of L. T. Kenney, Barre, Vt., or on the premises.

ASHLEY HUBBARD.

PROSPECTUS FOR 1864.

With the first issue in January next, the FREEMAN will commence a new volume. We are under great obligations to our friends and patrons for the encouragement and support they have given us, and solicit a renewal of similar favors for the year to come.

We hope to make the FREEMAN the coming year, a better newspaper than ever before. Our greater familiarity with editorial duties will doubtless aid us in this undertaking, and certainly our efforts to this end will be as constant and as zealous as heretofore.

We expect to be able to give the readers of the FREEMAN a greater variety of reading matter than we have hitherto done. We shall furnish as usual, all the important news of the day concerning the state of the country. The war news will occupy a prominent place, and especially the intelligence from Vermont troops in field and hospital. Political and general news will be fully reported; and all the valuable intelligence respecting current events, whether at home or abroad, will find a place in the columns of the FREEMAN. Domestic and State news will, as heretofore, receive particular attention, while the departments of Miscellaneous and Agriculture will have their proper space.

The principles of the FREEMAN will remain unchanged. As we have always aimed to do, we shall endeavor to adhere to, and advance the interests of the Right, while we shall not hesitate to denounce and expose the Wrong wherever we find it. We shall not forget, while standing unflinchingly by the national unity and yielding to every man his constitutional rights, that righteousness exalteth a nation while sin is a reproach to any people. The measures that we judge best for the national advancement in Christianity, Freedom and Civilization, we shall, with what ability we can command, at all times advocate. We shall abate not one jot of our hatred of Slavery, and whenever and wherever we see an opportunity to strike it, we shall not spare the blow. It is only when the nation is delivered from African Slavery—the body of death—that it can truly live, and we shall do what we can to separate the living from the dead.

The terms of the FREEMAN will remain the same as now,—\$1.50 in advance, or \$2.00 at the end of the year. \$3.00 will pay for a year in rear and a year in advance. We trust the friends and present subscribers of the FREEMAN will aid us, that we may start on the new year with a larger and better paid subscription list than ever before.

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MONTPELIER, Oct. 17, 1863.

Having witnessed the effects of the use of Nitrous Oxide Gas in the extracting of teeth by Dr. J. M. Comings, I take pleasure in stating, that I think it one of the greatest improvements of the age, in the application of science for the relief of pain. Its use I regard far preferable to that of Ether or Chloroform, while the relief from pain is just as entire, as that of either or Chloroform. It is free from those depressing influences that often follow their use. I commend its use as a safe and entire relief from pain to those who wish to have teeth extracted and ever retain pleasing associations connected with the operation.

W. H. RICHARDSON, M. D.

DR. JOHN M. COMINGS.

Dear Sir: Having witnessed the effect of the Nitrous Oxide Gas administered by you for the relief of pain in the extraction of teeth, I fully concur in the statement above made by Dr. Richardson.

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G. F. SKINNER, M. D.

Barre, Vt., Oct. 14, 1863

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CAPT. R. H. START, Recruiting Officer.

Montpelier, Sept. 21, 1863.

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